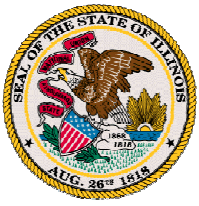








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	<p>Laura Zaremba serves as the Director of the Illinois Office of Health Information Technology (OHIT) and the Acting Executive Director of the Illinois Health Information Exchange (ILHIE). In that capacity, she is directing the implementation of the Illinois Health Information Exchange. The mission of OHIT is to support the use of health information technology in Illinois to improve health outcomes, increase care coordination, and contain costs. She also serves on the Board of Directors of the Illinois Rural Health Net and the Governor's Health Care Reform Implementation Council.</p>
	<p>Michelle R.B. Saddler, Secretary - Illinois Department of Human Services. Michelle R.B. Saddler serves as Secretary of the Illinois Department of Human Services (DHS). After taking a four month leave in 2010 to serve as the Governor's Chief of Staff, Michelle returned to DHS in December 2010. As Illinois' largest and most diverse State agency, DHS serves as many as two million people every day (1 in every 5 Illinois families) through its wide range of services for low income families, persons with disabilities, and for those needing assistance with issues of mental illness and substance abuse.</p>
	<p>Sharron Matthews currently holds the position of Assistant Director of the Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS). The agency administers the Medicaid and Child Support programs for the state. HFS also negotiates health insurance plan coverage for all state employees and legislators, retired teachers and their dependents, and state prisoners. HFS supports 12 other state wide programs/services providing medical and quality of life assistance to Illinois residents. Ms. Matthews has been working over 30 years with community organizations, healthcare and social service agencies, colleges and universities, federal and state government, churches and businesses as a program administrator, executive director , instructor and guest lecturer, and public policy, organizational development and management consultant.</p>
	<p>Marvin Lindsey is a Behavioral Health Associate/Public Policy Social Worker with the Community Behavioral Health Association of Illinois (CBHA). CBHA is a statewide not-for-profit membership organization representing the interests of community behavioral healthcare agencies in the State of Illinois. Marvin's areas of expertise include substance use and co-occurring substance use and mental disorders policy. As CBHA's representative, Marvin serves on the ILHIE Advisory Committee, Illinois Advisory Council on Alcoholism and Other Drug Dependency and the Department of Human Services Social Advisory Committee. He is currently the co-chair of the Behavioral Health Workgroup of the ILHIE Advisory Committee.</p>
	<p>Sara Moscato Howe, MS, CHES, was appointed Chief Executive Officer of the Illinois Alcoholism and Drug Dependence Association (IADDA) in February 2007. In this role she is responsible for state and federal policy and legislative analysis and advocacy efforts on behalf of more than 50 community-based addiction prevention, treatment, and recovery support service providers that comprise IADDA's membership. Ms. Howe also oversees a research and evaluation project for the Association's two substance abuse prevention programs: Operation Snowball (OS) and the Illinois Teen Institute (ITI).</p>

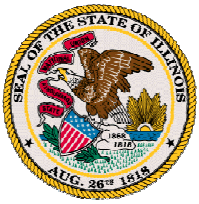
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	<p>Dr. Nicholas Panomitros is an attorney and practicing dentist who has been providing 20 years of comprehensive dental care to patients in underserved minority areas in the City of Chicago. Dr. Panomitros was appointed as an assistant professor of restorative dentistry at University of Illinois College of Dentistry in 2007, and as an adjunct professor of political science at Harper College 2008. He holds a certificate in Public Health Informatics. He is an editor of the <i>Journal of Public Health Informatics</i>, and does peer review for <i>Legal Medicine Perspectives</i>. He currently serves on the ILHIE Authority Board and is the Chair for the ILHIE Data Security & Privacy Committee.</p>
	<p>RENÉE M. POPOVITS, founder of Popovits & Robinson, P.C., has been a practicing healthcare attorney for 22 years representing behavioral health providers across the country, physician practice clients, research organizations, trade associations and governmental entities in corporate transactions, corporate compliance, confidentiality, HIPAA, licensure, reimbursement, human resources, data-sharing, electronic records and public policy matters. Ms. Popovits serves as General Counsel to Chestnut Health Systems, Chestnut Global Partners and Rosecrance Health Network. Ms. Popovits co-authored “Critical Incidents” and has published articles and lectured extensively on a variety of healthcare legal issues. Ms. Popovits serves as the chair for the Substance Abuse workgroup for OHIT’s Legal Task Force.</p>
	<p>Laurel L. Fleming is Assistant General Counsel at Northwestern Medical Faculty Foundation. As in-house counsel, Laurel advises on corporate, regulatory, and medical-legal issues, including medical record, health information, and federal and state law confidentiality issues; fraud and abuse; managed care; research and tax exemption. Laurel also handles managed care, intellectual property, and general business contracting. She has been integral in the development of corporate compliance, business integrity and conflicts management programs at the Foundation. Ms. Fleming currently serves as co-chair to the Behavioral Health workgroup for OHIT’s Legal Task Force.</p>
	<p>Michael R. Lardiere LCSW is currently the Vice President, Health Information Technology & Strategic Development, National Council for Community Behavioral Healthcare (the National Council). He has extensive experience in implementing electronic health record and other health information technology and integrating behavioral health and primary care. Mr. Lardiere is engaged with community behavioral health organizations, Federally Qualified Community Health Centers (FQHCs), health center controlled networks, Primary Care Associations, the National Health Information Network and other health information systems to advance the field of health information technology and exchange. He is responsible for developing strategy and in assisting behavioral health centers across the nation in implementing various HIT strategies to improve quality care. In addition, as an experienced and licensed mental health professional, Mr. Lardiere not only provides consulting services in mental health, substance abuse but also in integrating these services with the medical fields. Mr. Lardiere is a Board Member of the National eHealth Collaborative (NeHC), is a member of the CCHIT Behavioral Health Workgroup setting the EHR standards for behavioral health EHRs and is a Member of the National Quality Forum (NQF) Behavioral Health Measures Sub Committee. He is an ONC Certified HIT Clinician/Practitioner Consultant Professional.</p>

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	<p>Dr. David Trachtenbarg is the Chief Medical Informatics Officer (CMIO) for Central Illinois Health Information Exchange and the Medical Director for the Diabetes Care Center at the Methodist Medical Center in Peoria. He currently sees patients for diabetes in the office and hospital. In addition to his work on Health Information Exchange, he helped deploy an office electronic medical record system to all Methodist offices and physician computerized order entry in the hospital, physician portal, patient portal and other informatics projects.</p>
	<p>Marilyn Lamar is an attorney with more than twenty years of experience in corporate and information technology law, including HIPAA Privacy and Security issues, health information exchanges (HIEs), personal health records and cloud computing. Marilyn represents several HIEs including the MetroChicago HIE (MC HIE). Marilyn currently serves on the Board of Directors of the American Health Lawyers Association, chairs its Quality Council and serves on its Technology Task Force. She has taught Legal, Ethical & Social Issues in Medical Informatics in Northwestern University's Master of Science in Medical Informatics program. She has served as a volunteer member of attorney workgroups assisting the State of Illinois Health Information Authority in its review of Illinois laws that affect HIE. Ms. Lamar served as co-chair to the Interstate Issues workgroup for OHIT's Legal Task Force.</p>
	<p>Chris Burnett; Director of Strategic Policy Implementation of Illinois Association of Rehabilitation Facilities (IARF). IARF was formed out of the need for providers of community disability and mental health services and supports to be better represented in legislative and state policy decisions. On August 18, 1975, the Illinois Association of Rehabilitation Facilities was incorporated as a not-for-profit corporation in Illinois. Its primary purpose is to assist in the development and improvement of services to Illinois community service providers and those they support.</p>
	<p>Dia Cirillo recently joined the Illinois Office of Health Information Technology as the Behavioral Health Project Director and manages the Illinois Behavioral Health Integration Project (BHIP). BHIP works to develop the legal and operational framework necessary to protect confidentiality while helping to facilitate data exchange. The project will engage the behavioral health provider community and convene legal experts, statewide associations and individual consumers to build this framework and test it in several demonstration sites throughout the state. Ms. Cirillo brings 14 years of experience, working in the private and nonprofit sectors on complex policy issues and programs in economic development and social policy. Her work in public policy has focused on the system of services and supports for low income families and has encompassed large-scale stakeholder engagement and consensus building initiatives.</p>

Invited Testimony:

Walt Blumenshire, Fieldworker, GROW in Illinois

Eric Foster, COO, Illinois Alcoholism & Drug Dependency Association

Jan Gambach, Executive Director, Mental Health Center of Central Illinois

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